

**MINUTES OF THE RHODE ISLAND
REAL ESTATE COMMISSION**

DATE: May 15, 2014

TIME: 9:15 A.M.

LOCATION: Department of Business Regulation

Real Estate Section

John O. Pastore Center

1511 Pontiac Ave. Bldg. 69-1

Cranston, RI 02920-0942

Members Present:

Brenda L. Marchwicki: Chairperson, Gilbert P. Bricault: Vice-Chairperson, Gregory M. Dantas, Olivia Byron, Thomas Foley, Lisa Pinsonneault, Special Assistant Attorney General and William J. DeLuca, Real Estate Administrator, DBR.

Non Members Present:

Norma Mousseau, Education Director of RI Association of Realtors, Ellen Balasco, Deputy Chief of Legal Services, DBR and Lisa J. Crenca, Real Estate, DBR

Chairperson Marchwicki called the meeting to order at 9:15 AM.

Chairperson Marchwicki asks for a review of the minutes from the previous meeting. Thomas Foley made a motion to accept the minutes from the April meeting and seconded by Gilbert Bricault. Motion passed.

The following continuing education courses were reviewed:

Chairperson Marchwicki and Vice-Chairperson Bricault had both reviewed the education submitted for the course approval meeting on May 13, 2014. Gilbert Bricault presented the recommendations to the Board.

AMERICAN SCHOOL OF REAL ESTATE EXPRESS, LLC:

Online courses:

- A New Look at Contract Law 3 Hours**
- Liens, Taxes and Foreclosures 3 Hours**
- Short Sales 2 Hours**
- The Ins and Outs of Property Management 3 Hours**
- What Real Estate Agents Need to know about FHA 4 Hours**

Gilbert Bricault made a motion that the course, “ What Real Estate

Agents Need to know about FHA” be reduced from four to three hours and all the above courses be approved. Thomas Foley seconded the motion. Motion passed.

CONTINUING ED EXPRESS:

Online renewal course:

- CEE-36 Using Feng Shui Principles to Improve Living Spaces 3
Hour**

**Gilbert Bricault made a motion that the above course be approved.
Seconded by Gregory Dantas. Motion passed.**

THE RHODE ISLAND ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS:

New course:

- 435 Real Estate and Estate Administration 3 Core**

Renewals:

- 274 Environmental Issues (online)
6 Core**
- 273 Fair Housing (online)
6 Core**
- 502 Home Finance Review for REALTORS (in classroom)
3 Core**

- **504 Negotiating the Purchase and Sales Contract (in classroom) 3 Core**
- **275 The Truth About Mold (online)
6 Core**
- **276 Understanding 1031 Tax Free Exchanges (online) 6 Core**

Gilbert Bricault made a motion to approved all the above courses for three hours. General discussion ensued on the motion. Gilbert Bricault amended his motion to approve courses 502 and 503, holding over until next month courses 273, 274, 275 and 276 for further review at next month's meeting. Seconded by Gregory Dantas. Motion passed.

INSTRUCTOR:

- **Melissa L Green, Esq. (The Rhode Island Association of Realtors)**

Gilbert Bricault made a motion to accept the above instructor. Seconded by Thomas Foley. Motion passed.

Old Business: Lisa Pinsonneault made a motion to discuss updates on legislation and the Pearson Vue examination meeting. Seconded by Gilbert Bricault. Motion passed.

Ellen Balasco updated the Commission on legislation concerning the

Board qualifications and other changes. Gregory Dantas inquired about Tax Transfer Stamp and Salespersons becoming W2 instead of 1099 employee legislation. Ellen Balasco advised him the Department does not routinely track that legislation but she will look it up for him.

Brenda Marchwicki advised the Board on the two day examination development workshop with Pearson Vue and how successful was the program. William DeLuca advised on how the Instructors meeting progressed and the lively exchange that occurred.

New Business: Norma Mousseau of RIAR advised the Board of her school partnering with New England Tech School and of her developing plans to partner with Roger Williams University. On June 26, 2014 at New England Tech will be held at an all-day event hosted by RIAR.

Opportunity for Public Comment: None

Brenda Marchwicki asked for a motion to adjourn. Olivia Byron made the motion, seconded by Gregory Dantas. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. DeLuca

Real Estate Administrator